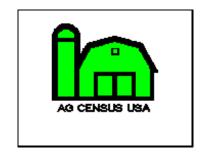
1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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BLUE EARTH MINNESOTA

Land in farms

Increased 5 percent from 383,373 acres in 1992 to 403,362 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 11 percent from 351 acres in 1992 to 389 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 16 percent from 823 farms in 1992 to 695 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

Increased 76 percent to \$221,470,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 45 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 55 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 85 percent from \$115,571 in 1992 to \$213,568 in 1997.

